(e) The case has been registered against S/Shri Arun Nehru, the then Minister of State, Internal Security, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi and B. P. Singhal, the then Additional Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi and others. The complicity of other accused persons will be ascertained and verified during investigation of the case.

Malpractices in the General Insurance Industry

*39. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Vigilance Commission has detected certain malpractices in the General Insurance Industry in regard to fraudulently back-dating post-accident insurance cases; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Government to curb such malpractices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) A few cases of suspected ante-dating of insurance covers were brought out in the Annual Report of the Central Vigilance Commission for the year 1986. Apart from initiating follow up action in respect of these cases, the General Insurance industry has also tightened up the precribed procedures, so as to curb such malpractices in consultation with the CVC. These procedures had come into effect from 1st November, 1987.

Statements of militant organisations in Punjab

*40. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in the 'Hindu' dated 12th April, 1988 to the effect that the five-member Panthic committee and the eleven-member Council of Khalistan stated that there could be no dialogue with the Central Government on any agenda short of "Khalistan", neither will they hold talks with Government nor allow anybody else to do so and they would continue their "fight to the finish" to attain their declared goal; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and what is Central Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government are determined to fight and stamp out all sessionist forces.

Foreign Contributions

134. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state what is the break-up of the amounts received from abroad under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act during the years 1985 and 1986, country-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): The details for the years 1985 and 1986 are under computerisation.

Foreign funds to CAPART

135. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART), New Delhi, has been in receipt of foreign funds under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act;

(b) if so, the details of the amounts received during the years 1985 and 1986; and

(c) whether the CAPART which distributes these funds to voluntary organisations requires that the latter are registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 1985—No information

1986—Rs. 31,57,848.00

(c) Under the provisions of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, organisation having definite cultural, economic, educational, religious, or social programme are not to accept foreign contribution without either registering with or obtaining prior permission from the Central Government.

Foreign funds received by certain organisation in Bihar

136. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the organisations, namely Badlao Foundation, Mihijam, District Dumka, Bihar, Pidit, Jagdishpur, District Deoghar, Bihar, Prayas Gramin Vikas Samiti, Phulwari Sharif, District Patna, Bihar have received funds from abroad under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 from the years 1981 to 1985;

(b) if so, the details of the amounts received, year-wise; and

(c) the names of the countries and organisations which have contributed to these funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Only Badlao Foundation and Prayas have reported receipt of funds from abroad under Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976.

(b) and (c) A statement is annexed. [*See* Appendix CXLVI, Annexure No. 7]

Loans to weaker sections in West Bengal

137. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the banks operating in West Bengal;

(b) what is the total number of branches of each of these banks;

(c) what is the amount of loans advanced by each of the banks for the weaker sections in West Bengal during the last three years;

(d) what are the schemes under which these advances have been made; and

(e) what efforts have been made by the banks to encourage people to obtain loans for their betterment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Names of banks and total number of their branches functioning in West Bengal as at the end of December, 1987 are set out in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that the present data reporting system does not generate bankwise information of weaker section advances for each State. However, according to the available information with RBI the total outstanding advances to weaker sections in West Bengal as on the last Friday of December, 1984, 1985 and 1986 were as follows:

(*Rs. in crores*)

As at the end of	Outstanding advances
December, 1984	140.97
December, 1985	233.60
December, 1986	279.77

(d) The schemes wherein loans are provided by banks to weaker sections are